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INFORMATION

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1. FOLLOWING PARTICIPATION OF US MEMBER OF ACSA IN
DEVELOPMENT OF POSITION SET FORTH IN PAR. 4 OF REFERENCE A,
THE NATIONAL SECURITY AGENCY ISSUED NATIONAL COMSEC
INSTRUCTION NO. 4005, DATED AUGUST 22, 1973, ENTITLED
"STANDARD CRITERIA FOR SAFEGUARDING COMMUNICATION SECURITY
MATERIAL," WHICH RELAXES US COSMIC POLICY AND PROCEDURES.
NSA PLANS IN NEXT SEVERAL MONTHS TO PROPOSE TO ACSA
APPROPRIATE CHANGES IN THE AMSP SERIES.

2. NOS SHOULD BE INFORMED OF THE FOREGOING AND CONSIDER
WHETHER IT MAY WISH TO PROCEED WITH THE REGULATION CHANGE
PROPOSED IN PAR. 6 OF REFERENCE A, OR HOLD ITS PROPOSED
CHANGE IN ABEYANCE PENDING CONSIDERATION BY NATO OF REVISED
US POLICY. WE ARE PREPARED TO CONCUR IN PAR. 6 OF REFEREN-
CE A WITH THE ADDITION OF THE WORD "CONTINUOUS" IN THE
FIRST SENTENCE OF THE PROPOSED NEW PARAGRAPH 44.1 AFTER THE
WORDS "TO HAVE" AND BEFORE THE WORD "ACCESS". THIS
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ADDITION WILL REFLECT IDENTICAL REFERENCE TO CONTINUOUS

ACCESS WHICH APPEARS IN THE OPENING PARAGRAPH, PARAS. 3(A),

4 (A) AND 5 OF THE REFERENCE AND MAKE CLEAR THAT INFRE-
QUENT ACCESS SUCH AS MIGHT OCCUR IN A TACTICAL SITUATION
IS NOT COVERED BY THE PROPOSED PARAGRAPH.

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